

120 & 122, Cromwell Road,

South Kensington,

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My dear Watson

I received your Mesaria  
chiza paper yesterday,  
and being near the Post,  
Miss. Nat. Hist. I looked in  
there, and looked up the  
plant which Linnaeus  
muddled up with his Elate-  
rium triplixton in the Man-  
tissa. The specimen is  
as you supposed, Sicyos angula-  
tus, - in flower, the female  
infl. just setting fruit. What  
Clayton meant by his descrip-  
tion of fruit, nobody can now  
tell. It is likely somebody  
may have brought him a  
fruit of Echinocystis & he  
thought it fruit of his Sicyos.



That  
The Echinocystis is quite  
likely to grow in his heart—  
which extended well up to  
ward the Mountains, where it  
must grow—in fact I think  
I may have seen it there.  
and it grows in Kentucky,  
etc.  
We still have lovely  
weather.

Though this is our  
quarters—till we do, next  
week to Manchester—we  
are off most of the time in  
Country Visits, etc—

So the Telegraph tells  
is that Baird is gone.  
What changes! Yours sincerely

Albany  
Please put my reply to Cir-  
cular in a decent envelope, &  
address to Prof. Peabody, N.Y.